(c) Against the reservation for 'Free dom Fighters' in the grant of petroleum products dealerships, selection is made only from amongst Freedom Fighters; the applications of those who are not em panelled are deemed to have been reject ed. In this manner, 117 application! were rejected.

Export of petroleum products

2551. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any petroleum products are exported from India; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the amount of foreign exchange earned from these exports ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the Petroleum products exported during 1984-85 and 1985-86 are given below :

Qty. : '000' Tonnes
Value : Rs./Crores.

Products	1984-85		1985-86*	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
1. Naphtha	612 71	167 24	1796	449 66
2. H.S.D./L.D.O	170 80	34 30	23 14	4 83
3. F.O./L.S.H.S			32	
Others				
Total	933	255	1959	508

Provisional

Off-shore drilling for oil in sea beds other than Bombay High

2552. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether apart from Bombay-High the possibilities of off-shore drilling for oil have been explored in other sea-beds of India also;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the oil potential available therein ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM **AND** NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Explora tory drilling is continuing in off-shore parts of Kutch-Saurashtra, Kerala-Konkan, Andaman, Bengal, Krishna-Godavari, Cauvery & Mahanadi NEC basins.

As on 1-1-1986, the geological reserves of oil in the above off-shor basins were estimated at about 53 million tonnes.

Services of foreign oil companies

2553. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the services of any foreign oil companies are being utilised in oil exploration work in India; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the same

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) and (b) No foreign oil companies are at present engaged in exploration work in India. However, Services of foreign service companies are